

NATIONAL

By Suzanne Za'mut-Black
Special to the Jordan Times

All doors get opened for ICRC delegates

'Charity in the clash of arms'

"IN JORDAN we can see everybody, prisoner or detainee, man or woman, political or non-political, Jordanian or non-Jordanian who is in the prison during our visits. We can ask for any door, even to a closet, to be opened for us, anywhere in the country," stated Mr. Jean Rigopoulo, head of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) delegation to Jordan.

In describing the many and varied functions of the ICRC, Mr. Rigopoulo, a naturalised Swiss of Greek origin, said that the protection of prisoners, which comes under the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and the additional Protocols, is one of the ICRC's main concerns.

"Some countries allow us to see all types of prisoners. Some, however, stick strictly to the Geneva Conventions. In South Africa, for example we see those in opposition to the state. Similarly, the ICRC delegates visit all prisoners in the Occupied West Bank and Gaza since all civilians under occupation are protected by the Geneva Conventions, but they do not visit prisoners with Israeli passports, be they Arab or Jew," he told the Jordan Times in an interview.

He also pointed out that the ICRC visits prisoners whose country does not have diplomatic representation in the country in which they are imprisoned.

Mr. Rigopoulo outlined a standard prison visit by ICRC delegates which always culminates in a report that is sent to headquarters in Geneva, and subsequently to the government concerned.

An initial interview during a routine prison round in Jordan is with the warden to obtain information on the state of the prison that day, such as the number of prisoners and any existing problems. Together they go through the previous ICRC report, usually made six months earlier.

The report could point out the lack of hot water, broken window panes and general improvements the warden had promised to do.

"We go round the whole prison. Every room, every toilet, every cell, every door has to be opened," Mr. Rigopoulo stressed. "We check everything: running water, the amount of blankets and mattresses. We also inspect the kitchen, get the menu of the day and check the quantities served."

An ICRC delegate also has to check hygiene standards, sometimes as basic as toilet cleanliness,

"using one's senses of vision and smell," and adequate ventilation. Medical facilities are also monitored, first for availability and then quality, and for the frequency of doctor's examinations. A hospital close enough has to be designated and quick transport to it assured.

As the delegates make their rounds, they introduce themselves and let the prisoners know that they can talk to them openly or in

private, about anything and in a place of the delegate's choosing.

"The prison yard, for example, can serve that purpose," said Mr. Rigopoulo, who has the advantage of speaking Arabic fluently, having spent the first eighteen years of his life in Egypt.

"My Egyptian accent caused a lot of puzzlement from the Palestinian prisoners when I worked in the West Bank just before coming here," he said. "Anyway I think

I've managed to drop a lot of that."

Through talking to the prisoners, the ICRC delegates can help with conditions of detention such as food and medical or disciplinary treatment. "Often they come to talk just because it is a friendly face, and it does them some good that somebody is listening, that somebody is checking and caring."

To help prisons offer enter-

tainment to inmates, the ICRC provides them with games — backgammon, chess, dominoes — equipment for sports such as table tennis, volleyball and basketball, and depending on the space available. Also provided are books to cater for all moods and intellects, in both Arabic and English. Politics, sex and violent subjects are avoided.

Mr. Rigopoulo warns however, that "sometimes it is not in our

power to do anything. We can't help if somebody complains that he has twenty five children and no breadwinner. The ICRC has no budget for that kind of aid."

He pointed out, however, that this role is for the Ministry of Social Development and charitable societies and that he does approach them about cases at times.

At the end of every visit, all observations, "positive and negative" are discussed with the prison warden. This includes both general and individual cases.

"I do not write anything in the report that hasn't been discussed. We are there to advise, help, and recommend. We are not inspectors," insisted Mr. Rigopoulo. "The warden can respond with what is within his power or what has to be done with higher authority. Our recommendations are reasonable."

At the end of a series of visits a report is written and sent to Geneva. This will also go to related higher levels such as the Ministry of Social Development, The Ministry of Health and Army Headquarters for discussion.

The average twice-yearly visits to prisons do not apply to the General Intelligence Department. "There, our visits are more frequent, almost twice a month. The conditions of detention are different, with no family visits, T.V., or books. We go from cell to cell and speak privately. We can give families information about the prisoner's health and get them *salama* (greetings). People imagine the worst when they can't see someone. This satisfies a human need."

Other than the protection of prisoners, the ICRC in Amman offers a very valuable and fully utilised service. A radio service in Morse linking Amman with Jerusalem, Damascus, Beirut, Cairo and Geneva is available to the public for humanitarian messages in cases of emergency. It is used mostly in the case of deaths, funerals, illness or to obtain visit permits quickly in urgent cases.

A further ICRC service available to the public is the transmission of correspondence in the form of "Red Cross" messages between countries where there is no official mail. In the case of Jordan, ICRC delegates from Jordan and the West Bank exchange these messages during censorship on the River Jordan bridges every Thursday. In the same way that this mail can get in and out of prisons here, it can do so in the occupied territories.

Founded in 1863, the ICRC is a neutral and independent institu-



Mr. Rigopoulo in his office in Amman

tion and the delegates are exclusively Swiss. Under the motto "Charity in the Clash of Arms," its role is to protect and assist all victims and natural disasters. The protective emblem, a red cross on a white ground was adopted in 1864.

"The cross is absolutely not a religious sign," stressed Mr. Rigopoulo. "It is the Swiss flag in inverted colours. It is an easy sign to recognise and to draw, one can even use one's own blood. The first step when transforming a new hospital in times of war is to paint a huge cross on the roof."

Shortly after the formation of the ICRC, national relief societies started to be established, and in 1876 the Red Crescent came into use by local societies in Muslim countries. It was in 1919 that the League of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies was formed. Member countries are part of the decision making process, attending conferences and voting.

There were at one time, three signs used by members of the league. The Red Lion and Sun, only used by Iran, was recently abolished. Now the league recognises only the two signs — the Red Cross and the Red Crescent

and does not allow admission to a country using any other sign.

The league and the ICRC are parts of the over-all body of the International Red Cross (IRC) which meets once every four years. (The last meeting was in Manila in November). They work together in times of trouble and war, but have distinct functions.

"The obvious distinction between the ICRC and the Red Cross and Red Crescent societies is that the first gets into prisons and detention centres of any kind, while the other concentrates on health and medication," Mr. Rigopoulo said.

"The national societies, including the Jordanian Red Crescent Society would be responsible for the individual country's medication, hospitals and ambulances, and would respond to natural disasters and armed conflict," the ICRC official explained.

He cited the Iraqi-Iranian war as an example, during which the ICRC delegates in Iraq looked after prisoners of war, while the Iraqi Red Crescent Society took care of the wounded during the air raids on Baghdad. On the other hand, ICRC Delegates visited Iraqi prisoners of war in Iran.



The ICRC delegation head discusses business of the day with one of his assistants at the Abdali headquarters of the delegation.

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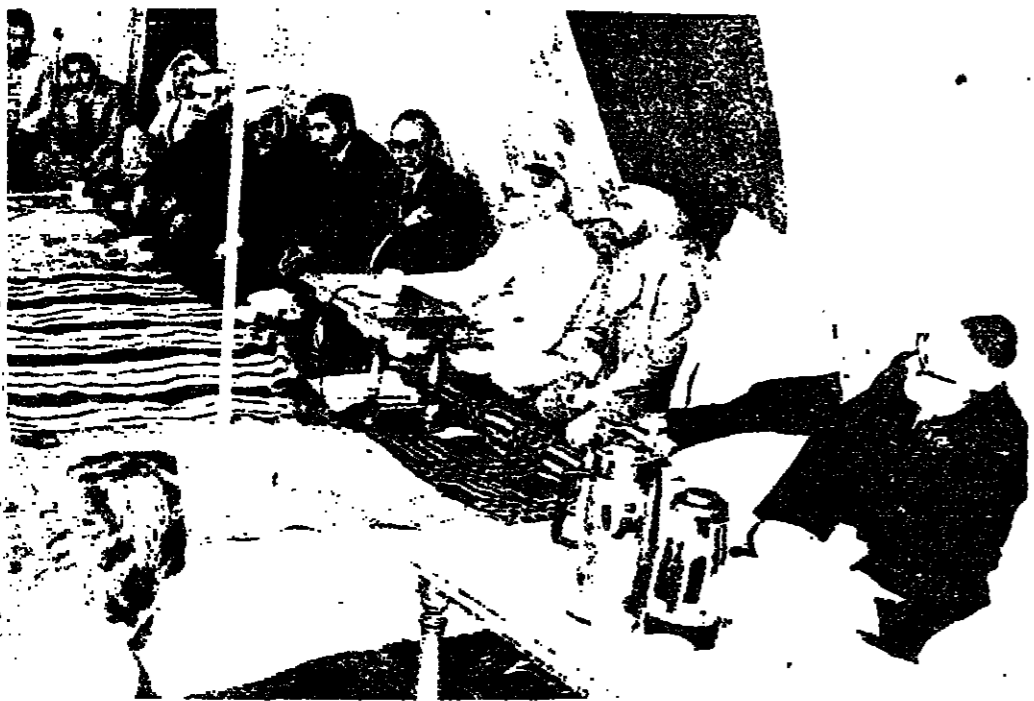
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Valley religious camp opens



AMMAN, Dec. 4 (Petra) — Minister of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs Kamel Al Sharif opened yesterday a religious guidance camp in the northern Jordan Valley. Addressing the participants in the camp, which will continue for one week, Mr. Sharif pointed out the important role of the cleric in spreading Islamic doctrine. He also stressed the role of religious guidance camps in helping the participants gain experience and

develop their speaking skills. Mr. Sharif said the mosque is a major communications channel, which the preachers should use to spread the word of God. He also asserted the role of Islam in confronting various challenges, and in achieving progress and development. Twenty-five preachers participating in the camp will receive lectures from teachers specialised in various shari'a (Islamic law) sciences.

ILO team hears of Israeli measures

AMMAN, Dec. 4 (J.T.) — An International Labour Organisation (ILO) delegation currently touring the Middle East yesterday visited the Foreign Ministry, the Ministry of Occupied Territories Affairs and the Amman Chamber of Industry. Its members were briefed by Jordanian officials on the conditions of the Arab workers and residents in the occupied territories, and heard an explanation of the arbitrary economic and tax measures applied by the Israeli occupation authorities against Arab industrial and investment enterprises and businessmen, with the aim of forcing them to evacuate their homeland.

Minister of Occupied Territories Affairs Hassan Ibrahim reviewed with the delegation yesterday the conditions of the Arab workers in the occupied territories, and the measures which could be taken to assist them and to protect their rights.

Mr. Ibrahim explained to the ILO delegation the practices of the Israeli authorities in the occupied territories — practices which, he said, contravene all civilised laws. He also explained to the delegation the arbitrary measures applied by the Israeli occupation authorities against Arab trade unions and workers' interests.

The delegation, comprising ILO Equal Rights Department Director Claude Roseller and Beirut Office Director Shukri Al Dajani, arrived in Amman on Tuesday. The team's mission is preparatory to a fact-finding visit, the fifth by an ILO delegation, to the occupied Arab territories in search of information about the condition of workers there.

Public works officers review projects, budget

AMMAN, Dec. 4 (Petra) — Minister of Public Works Awni Al Masri yesterday presided over the monthly meeting of public works directors in Jordan's governorates and districts.

During the meeting, he discussed the conditions of the vehicles belonging to the ministry in preparation for their redistribution to the local public works directorates, according to the needs of the projects which will be implemented next year. They also reviewed the financial situation of the ministry for this year, as well as the programmes and projects included in the draft budget of next year.

Mr. Masri requested the public works officers to expedite the processing of fees due to contractors, so they might be paid before the end of the year; and to provide the ministry, by the end of January with a comprehensive report on the achievements of each directorate this year.

The meeting was attended by the ministry's under-secretary and high-ranking ministry officials.

Mr. Roseller, in an interview with the Jordan Times, said that the current mission would facilitate the occupied territories mission, scheduled for early 1982, which would follow up a 1980 ILO resolution on Israeli settlements in the occupied territories. He stressed, however, that the organisation was concerned with settlements only insofar as they affect the conditions of workers; the domain to which the ILO's mandate is restricted.

The ILO can only work within its "terms of reference," he asserted; and it has no power to enforce any recommendations or decisions it might take.

Mr. Roseller noted that in the delegation's discussions with Jordanian officials, it had encountered great concern to improve the conditions of the Arab workers living under Israeli occupation. All information the team gathers on its current trip will be used on the 1982 mission, he said.

The team, which arrived here after a visit to Syria, is due to travel to Lebanon tomorrow. There, Mr. Roseller said, its members plan to have more preparatory talks, this time with officials of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

He said that the mission to the occupied territories next year would meet with the people concerned in private, which would facilitate the gathering of factual, unbiased information. The team would be examining ways the ILO can help workers under occupation—for instance, with training and seminars.

The findings of both the current mission and next year's will be submitted to the ILO director general, who will in turn submit them to the next international labour conference.



CAEU Secretary General Fakhri Qaddouri speaks to a press conference Thursday on the resolutions of the 38th CAEU ministers' session in Amman.

CAEU ministers approve 2 new firms, Palestine support

AMMAN, Dec. 4 (Petra) — The two-day 38th session of the ministerial council of the Council of Arab Economic Unity (CAEU), which ended here yesterday, approved a number of important resolutions, including the establishment of two joint Arab companies and measures to aid the Palestinian economy.

CAEU Secretary General Fakhri Qaddouri, announcing this at a press conference here yesterday, said the resolutions of the council session would enhance joint Arab action on the path of economic

integration. Dr. Qaddouri said that CAEU secretary general's report, dealing in detail with economic activities in the Arab World during

the 1970s as well as international economic developments and their impact on the developing and Arab countries, were discussed. The CAEU general secretariat was requested to distribute the report to member states, he said.

Dr. Qaddouri added that the ministerial council decided to support and to facilitate the marketing in Arab countries of the industrial and agricultural products of the occupied Arab territories. It also approved the establishment of an Arab international company for land transport, he said.

The general secretariat was requested to invite the delegates of states and representatives of Arab official and semi-official companies to meet and to set in motion the operation of the company, Dr. Qaddouri said.

The CAEU secretary general also said that the ministerial council had approved the establishment of an Arab printing company, and requested the general secretariat to make contacts with Arab countries to agree upon their participation.

The council also approved the unified byelaws of specialised Arab federations, and a technical aid programme for 1982 to the less developed Arab countries. The appropriations for such aid in next year's CAEU budget totalled \$625,000, an increase by 46 per cent from 1981, Dr. Qaddouri said.

He explained that the aid will be used in performing statistical surveys, raising the standards of statistics employees, paying for the equipment they need and the expenses of statistical trainees.

The amount so far spent on the technical aid programme since its establishment now totals \$2.25 million, he said.

Dr. Qaddouri said that the ministerial council also approved several important resolutions, including all the recommendations of the subcommittees which met in the last six months and the council's budget for 1982. The council will hold its 39th session in Amman next June, he said.

The participants in the meeting sent a cable to His Majesty King Hussein expressing their thanks and appreciation for the warm reception and hospitality accorded to them. They affirmed that they would continue their efforts to achieve more on the road to Arab economic unity.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Four meets Libyan aide

AMMAN, Dec. 4 (Petra) — Minister of Industry and Trade Ali Masri received yesterday Libyan Secretary of Economy Zaid Dourdeh. During the meeting, they reviewed economic trade relations between their two countries, and the possibility of increasing the volume of Jordanian exports to Libya in the future. The meeting was attended by the Under-Secretary of Industry and Trade Mohammad Saleh Hourani and the director of the ministry's economic cooperation department.

Postal union meeting starts today

AMMAN, Dec. 4 (Petra) — Jordan will participate in the meetings of the executive council of the Arab Postal Union, which will open in Dubai on Saturday. The Jordanian delegation to the meetings, under Under-Secretary of Communications Faris Al Rayheb, left Amman for Dubai yesterday. The Arab delegations participating in the 10-day meetings will discuss several topics related to expanding the scope of postal cooperation among the Arab countries, and organising postal services in accordance with the most modern methods.

Distinguished U.S. pianist due

AMMAN, Dec. 4 (J.T.) — Mr. Berkofsky, a distinguished American pianist, will arrive in Amman on Sunday, to perform at the invitation of the United States International Music Agency.

Mr. Berkofsky studied at the Peabody Conservatory of Music in Baltimore. He later received a Fulbright grant to study at the Vienna Academy of Music, where he won the National League Young Artist Award annually in New York.

Mr. Berkofsky received a five-year grant to tour the United States. His career has since flourished; he has performed major symphonies as a soloist and has made numerous recordings. Berkofsky is also recognized for his work in restoring

works by Mendelssohn and Liszt, and rescuing lesser-known composers from obscurity.

The pianist's programme in Amman will include a recital at the Holiday Inn Ballroom on Tuesday, Dec. 8 at 8:30 p.m. He will also conduct a workshop at the American Centre, to which all music teachers and interested music students are invited, at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 9.

Free tickets and further information are available from the American Centre.

New complex to serve 27 northern villages

IRBID, Dec. 4 (Petra) — Eighty dunums of land have been expropriated in the Sama Al Rusan triangle area in preparation for the construction of a complex to house government departments, a central school for boys and a health centre.

The project will serve the 27 villages of Bani Kananeh area, whose total population is 60,000 people.

Preliminary studies of the cost and the steps of the project's implementation are currently under way.

Jordan got 38 new post offices in '81

AMMAN, Dec. 4 (Petra) — The Communications Ministry opened this year 38 post offices around the country, bringing the total number of post offices to 709, Communications Minister Mohammad Addoub Al Zaben said today.

Dr. Zaben explained that 90 per cent of the new post offices were opened in rural areas, centres of agricultural production and remote areas where no postal services had been available.

Dr. Zaben added that under the ministry's working plan for next year, which was approved recently, 82 new post offices will be opened in various parts of the country.

Jordanian costume stars in New Jersey



Elementary school student Jim Anz wears Arab dress to represent Jordan during a costume day recently at Cherry Hill school in River Edge, New Jersey.

Jersey. Jim works with a classmate representing Germany on a weaving project. (Photo by Rich Meyer)



A female Alia employee receives an athletic trophy from Mr. Ali Ghandour at Thursday's ceremony (Petra photo)

Alia's 18-year development recalled at awards ceremony

AMMAN, Dec. 4 (Petra) — Awards and cups were distributed to the athletes of Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline, in a reception at the Holiday Inn last night.

Alia Chairman and President Ali Ghandour, in a speech on the occasion, emphasised the role of sports in developing the physical and mental capabilities of Alia's employees, and consequently, increasing their productivity.

Noting that Alia will soon celebrate its 18th anniversary, Mr. Ghandour recalled that the airline had begun small, and had grown to occupy the second place in the Arab World in terms of pro-

ductivity, and the 32nd place among the world airlines. He said this is a distinguished position, which Alia enjoys thanks to the efficiency of its employees and their dedication to the "pioneering institution."

Mr. Ghandour said that Alia will next year increase the number of its flights to the United States. There will be more than one daily U.S. flight, to more than one destination, he said.

Mr. Ghandour added that world airlines are facing difficulties and suffering financial losses because of the stagnation in the world economy. However, thanks to its

employees, Alia has not faced these difficulties or suffered these losses, he said.

At the end of the reception, Mr. Ghandour distributed the cups and medals to Alia employees who had won competitions in chess, table tennis and other sports. He also presented medals to employees with from five to 15 years of service.

Today's Weather

It will be partly cloudy, with light and variable winds. In Aqaba, winds will be northerly moderate and seas calm.

	Overnight Low	Daytime High
Amman	6	16
Aqaba	12	24
Deserts	5	18
Jordan Valley	12	24

Yesterday's high temperatures: Amman 15, Aqaba 21. Humidity readings: Amman 45 per cent, Aqaba 46 per cent.

WHAT'S GOING ON

Exhibitions

- * Photos of the Iraqi-Iranian Gulf war, at the Iraqi press office.
- * Ceramic reliefs by Maha Otaqui, at the Suhail Bisharat Gallery in Jabal Amman.
- * Ceramics by Issam Nuseirat and Vivian Batshoun, at the Haya Arts Centre.

Film

- * The French Cultural Centre presents a comedy in colour, "Le Sauvage." (Arabic sub-titles) at 7:30 p.m.

Children's plays

- * The Haya Arts Centre in cooperation with the Goethe Institute presents plays for children (age 5 - 10): "The Musicians of Bremen" and "Rapunzel," performed by the Drama Group of the Haya Arts Centre, in Arabic, at 3:30 p.m.

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Regional Administration Seminar ends

AMMAN, Dec. 4 (Petra) — A regional administrative seminar organised by the Arab Association for Administrative Studies (AOAS) concluded in Amman yesterday.

AOAS Director General Ibrahim Al Zo'bi made a speech at the end of the seminar, pointing out the significance of seminars, whose aim, he said, is to help the participants on the theoretical concepts of regional administration and to help them with the results of studies in the administrative field in developing regions. The mental factors affecting regional administration are also to be taken into account.

During the week-long seminar, participants discussed topics related to the concepts of regional administration and urban studies and their impact on regional development, and ways to develop regional administration in Arab countries. Twenty high-ranking administrative officials from various Arab countries attended the seminar.

At the end of the seminar, Dr. Al Zo'bi distributed certificates to the participants.

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Let's listen to what the Saudis have to say

Philip Klutznick
Not since Israel's creation in 1948, in my judgement has there been a greater possibility of achieving peace between Israel, the Palestinians and its Arab neighbours.

turned away from "outlawing" Israel as an illegitimate entity and have looked to negotiations with recognition and "coexistence" as the eventual goal.

The next most significant conclusion was that the PLO was the only party qualified to speak for the Palestinians. There will be those who will say that such a conclusion is naive or ill-founded.

I found that the Camp David accords were rejected not so much because of unwillingness to contemplate peace with Israel as because they failed to link properly the Egyptian-Israeli treaty with resolution of the Palestinian issue.

As President Hosni Mubarak in Egypt has suggested, and as the Reagan administration has implied, the Saudi ideas are not incompatible with the peace process.

paring Saudi Arabia with Iran under the Shah is unrealistic. In fact, there is little comparison to Saudi Arabia today or probably in the history of the country.

Stir for a stalemate

THE IRONY of U.S. special envoy Philip Habib roaming the Middle East while the U.S.-Israeli strategic cooperation agreement was being signed in Washington brings up once again the matter of America's credentials as a mediator in the Arab-Israeli conflict.

We had always thought that a joint American-Soviet effort, at some point, could play a major role in peace-making attempts. It seems that the American-Israeli side does not wish this to happen.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

Another stumbling block

AL RA'Y: Obviously the strategic cooperation agreement concluded between the United States and Israel adds a new stumbling block to the already existing obstacles in the way of achieving peace and stability in the Middle East.

The significance of Jordan's role

AL DUSTOUR: While it was a coincidence that U.S. special Middle East envoy Philip Habib and Soviet roving ambassador Mikhail Shtromov were visiting Amman at the same time, their visits are a confirmation of the significance of the Jordanian role in the region.

Israel plays the 'Jewish' trick to net basketball players

By Daniel Grebler
Associated Press

TEL AVIV — ISRAEL'S NATIONAL basketball season was almost held up this year because of an argument over whether Jack Zimmerman's mother was Jewish.

ration law comes in. The law of return grants automatic citizenship to every Jewish immigrant along with spouses, whose religion does not matter.

Zimmerman and figured he had to be Jewish. We were the cause of all the noise.

Salaries ranging from \$20,000 to \$60,000 a year. Some are Jews who have accepted Israeli citizenship, becoming dual nationals.

Jewishness? Most of the time, no one asks for proof until he or she wants to marry. Then two witnesses are required to testify to rabbinical authorities that the prospective bride or groom is Jewish.

Perry converted to Judaism and took Israeli citizenship when his three-year foreign status expired.



Khomeini wages propaganda war on rival ayatollahs

By Fereshah Emami
Associated Press

BEIRUT — ALTHOUGH CLERGYMEN are aplenty in Iran's Islamic republic, only one of the six foremost spiritual leaders wields any authority in the government.

Even after Khomeini's triumphant return from exile in France in 1979, Khomeini's letters to the revolutionary leader addressed him as "Hojatoleslam Khomeini," one rank below ayatollah in the Shi'ite hierarchy, the sources said.

Iran's executive, legislative and judicial branches are now headed by clergymen. President Ali Khamenei and Parliament Speaker Ali Akbar Rafsanjani are hojatoleslams, while Chief Justice Abdul Karim Ardabili is an ayatollah.

Lower-ranking clergymen have also been summoned for opposing the regime. Hojatoleslam Abolmohsen Behabadani, a former Khomeini supporter and former religious judge in Mashhad, fell out of favor for supporting the secular-minded president Abol Hassan Bani-Sadr, who was dismissed by Khomeini last June 2, sources said.

Rohani claimed that grand ayatollahs Shariatmadari, Omi and Khoi were declared haram because of their opposition to clergy participation in the running of government.

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SPORTS

Pakistan determined to balance the books against Australia

ADELAIDE, Dec. 4 (A.P.) — A determined Pakistan side face Australia at Adelaide Oval for the fifth one-day World Series Cup cricket match on Sunday.

Strung by defeats in the first and second tests against Australia, a loss to the West Indies in the opening match of this series and a string of headline-making incidents on tour so far, the Pakistanis mean to balance the books.

Struggling off reports of a toe injury to all-important paceman Imran Khan, assistant team manager Shafiq Rana said: "The key is in fielding. We fielded poorly against the West Indies and lost. The West Indies fielded poorly against Australia and lost—we won't make the same mistake again."

With a fully fit squad to pick from the Pakistanis won't be naming their team for Sunday until the morning of the game, adding an element of surprise to the

encounter.

Despite their manager's confidence, the Pakistan team looked brittle in the nets today as they practised alongside a powerhouse West Indian workout session.

But true to his word, Mr. Rana overseer a torrid exercise session on the field which indicated their overall fitness and augured well for their fielding.

Nevertheless, Pakistan meets an Australian side growing daily in confidence and boosted by a timely return to form by captain Greg Chappell.

Chappell's double century at the Gabba during the second test against Pakistan could spell trouble for the visitors on what is being described as a batsman's wicket.

Dennis Lillee too is likely to be full of enthusiasm for his first one-day international this summer after being suspended for two matches.

Germany's Irene Epple wins giant slalom at World Cup ski meet

VAL D'ISERE, France, Dec. 4 (A.P.) — Germany's 24-year-old veteran Irene Epple decisively won the giant slalom race of the World Cup ski meet, beating all her rivals in each of the two heats.

Switzerland's Erika Hess came from behind to take second place in the overall standings as 0.33 seconds behind Epple.

Tamara McKinney, 19, of Olympic Valley, Calif., who placed second behind Epple in the first heat, stumbled in the lower part of her second run and finished in third place, more than a full second behind the winner. Times are unofficial.

Both heats were run on very hard, crusted snow and McKinney was thrown off balance at a turn on the lower half of the 48-gate second run when she seemed well placed to win the race.

The American girl, winner of the slalom section of the World Cup last season, held second place behind Epple in the first heat, trailing by 0.34 seconds and with a good chance of overtaking her rival in the second heat.

She seemed well on her way to achieving this when her half way time gave her 47.40 seconds or 0.26 seconds ahead of Epple. Her fault probably cost her the race.

Perrine Pelen of France, who was sixth in the first heat, moved up into fourth place, with an aggregate of 2:31.56, followed by Epple's sister Maria, fifth with 2:31.72, Italy's Maritosa Quario, sixth with 2:32.39 and Fabian Serrat of France seventh with 2:33.10.

France's last bid for World Cup

PARIS, Dec. 4 (R) — Barring an astonishing upset, France will claim the one remaining European World Soccer Cup place when they meet Cyprus here tomorrow night.

The highly-talented but erratic French must beat Cyprus to edge out Ireland on goal difference and become the 14th European nation to qualify for the final stages in Spain next summer.

Cyprus's past form in group two, seven defeats and 25 goals conceded, suggests France should triumph with ease. But manager Michel Hidalgo is taking nothing for granted.

During their final preparations, Hidalgo has screened Cyprus's match against Belgium in February when the group winners scrambled home 3-2 in Brussels.

The French have left nothing to chance and in a secret training session at the Parc des Princes this morning they even spent some time practising penalty kicks.

Dubai celebrates anniversary with first ever motor race

DUBAI, U.A.E., Dec. 4 (A.P.) — An estimated 20,000 spectators today cheered three British and one Italian and one Jersey champion who won the first Grand Prix motor race ever held in this Emirate.

Top international drivers participated, including Britain's John Watson, a Marlboro world championship team driver, along with eight other world champions and 15 others who figured in previous Formula One circuits of the world.

The spectators and drivers were marking the 10th anniversary of the United Arab Emirates, of which Dubai is the second biggest member.

Many of the former champions participated in saloon cars celerity race 4-3, covering a 2.6-kilometre track encircling the Hyatt Regency hotel on the edge of the Gulf.

The first race, covering 10 laps of the track, was won by Italy's Bruno Giacomelli in 16 minutes and 38 seconds.

He and other drivers were using Citroen CX-type cars. Giacomelli won the Metropolitan Dubai Hotel Trophy.

The second race, Pace Petroleum Aston Martin championship, was won by Mike Salmon, of Jersey, who covered the 10 laps in 15 minutes 00.78 seconds, using 'historic cars'. He was awarded the Dubai International Hotel Trophy. Britain's Roy Salvadoro came second.

The third race, called the British Saloon Car Championship, was won by Tom Walkinshaw of Britain, who went the 10 laps in 13 minutes and 4.07 seconds, winning the Hilton International Hotel Trophy. He was using a Mazda car.

The fourth race, the Marlboro Cup Super Sports Cars, was won by Jerry Marshall of Britain after 12 minutes 42.05 seconds.

The fifth and last race, Galadari Trophy race, was organised for Mideasterners and expatriates living in the U.A.E. using Citroen CX cars, similar to those of the first race, the drivers went around the track in 10 laps, with Capt. Alan Skennerton of Britain winning after 17 minutes and 03.72 seconds.

32 athletes to run in Japanese marathon

TOKYO, Dec. 4 (A.P.) — Two-time Olympic gold medalist Waldemar Cierpinski of East Germany, will lead a record field of 177 Japanese and Foreign runners in the 16th Fukuoka international marathon Sunday.

Cierpinski, 31, winner of the 1976 and 1980 Olympic marathons in Montreal and Moscow, will be running in the event for the fifth time. Last year he finished sixth, but his best placing is third in the 1976 competition.

Among other top contenders entered in the annual event are Garry Bjorklund of the United States, Vladimir Kotov of the Soviet Union, Robert De Castella of Australia, and the Japanese twin brothers, Shigeru and Takeshi Soh, and Kumimitsu Ito and Hideaki Kita, both of Japan.

The Japanese runners are tipped to win the 42.199-kilometre race along Hakata Bay in Fukuoka city, Southern Japan. In the last three years, Japanese have swept the top three places.

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES H. GOREN
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DEAR MR. GOREN

Q:—I was always taught to lead fourth-best from my longest and strongest suit when defending against an opposing no trump contract. Now someone in our game tells me that I am dreadfully old-fashioned and that a singleton is often a good lead since it might hit my partner's long suit. Can this be so? What advice do you give?—G. Drew, Portland, Ore.

(This question has been awarded the weekly prize.)
A:—Bridge has developed tremendously over the past decade or two, but most of the changes have occurred in the bidding, not in the play. There has been little if any in basic card-play technique in that time. For example, Watson's "Play of the Hand," written in the '30s, is still a classic textbook on card play.

Leading fourth best from a long suit against a no trump contract is a maxim as old as the game itself, even dating back to the days of whist, and this sound principle is still generally followed. Alternatively, if you have a strong sequence, you might prefer that.

A singleton, however, is usually about the worst lead you can make against a no trump contract—unless partner has bid the suit. It is far more likely to help declarer pick up the suit than to develop tricks for your side. In addition, it may give declarer time to gain control of the hand.

Consider how much partner must have in a suit if your lead of a singleton is to be helpful. And if he does have all that much, how come he didn't enter the auction with a lead-directing bid?

There are times when it is correct to lead a short-suit. For instance, take the case where you have an entryless hand and your long suit consists of five low cards. There is little chance that you can establish and cash long cards in the suit, so you might try to hit partner's suit. But in those cases it is preferable to lead from a three-card suit rather than from a doubleton. Rarely, if ever, do you lead a singleton against no trump in a suit that partner hasn't bid.

Q:—In a recent column you mentioned that in October, the world team championship will be held in the U.S. Can you tell me where and whether spectators are permitted?—A. McCarthy, Philadelphia, Pa.

A:—In the last two weeks of October, the Bermuda Bowl for Open Teams and the Venice Cup for Women's Teams will be played off in the Rye Town Hilton, Port Chester, N.Y. The matches will be shown to the audience on the Yu-Graph screen on a panel of commentators on hand to analyze the bidding and play. Spectators are most welcome and the fee for watching is nominal.

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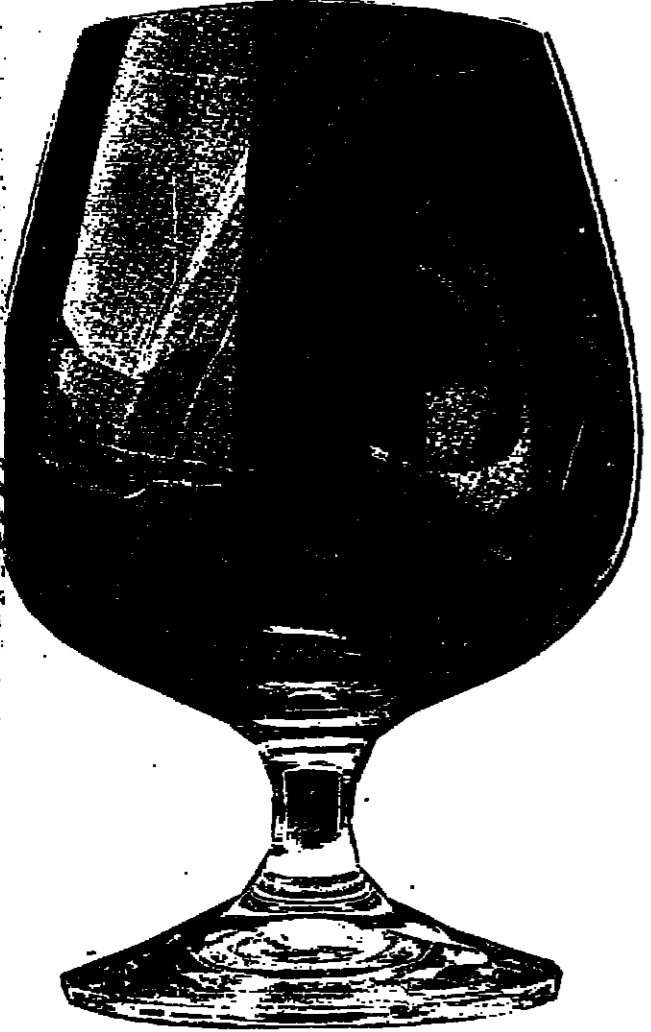
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FEATURES

Hurry and buy while the vintage is high



By Edmund Penning Rowse

The perils of forecasting the quality of the Bordeaux vintage were never clearer than for the 1981 crop.

In July last year, in the middle of that miserable summer, an American journalist forecast that the 1980 vintage would be catastrophic. It certainly did not turn out very well three months later, but very recently I tasted some obviously palatable wines.

Yet, according to more than one Bordeaux merchant, this premature prediction has severely influenced the American market. Fortunately, perhaps, British writers on wine carry less authority.

This year the soothsayers on this side of the Atlantic went the other way, and voices were heard in August to predict that 1981 would be "another 1961," while a distinguished cellarmaster not a thousand kilometres from the Medoc was seen on television to predict a very great vintage. Alas, it seems unlikely.

The cause of this optimism was the remarkable change in the weather from the end of July onwards. After a pretty dismal start, but with the significant flowering of the vine developing appropriately in mid-June, the later summer arrived in time to alter the poor perspective. It was so hot in August and the first half of September, and there was so little rain, that the grapes were lacking in juice and the skins were thick and tough.

This meant a small, but possibly very good vintage, officially predicted by the French Ministry of Agriculture on Sept. 1 as 3.9 million hectolitres (hl), compared with 3.65 million hl in 1980 and 6.2 million hl in the record year of 1979; but, owing to the very small white Bordeaux crop, gathered earlier than the red, the Bordeaux trade organisation has brought down the total crop forecast to 3.7 million hl.

Indeed, there are fears of a shortage of dry white Bordeaux at a time when world demand for white wines is booming. The quality is reported good, especially for Sauternes.

The red wine vintage began generally in good, sunny, weather conditions, on Sept. 28, but on Oct. 1, wet weather set in and heavy rain set in until mid-day on Oct. 3. Those who had engaged their pickers to work over the ensuing fine weekend benefited, but others had to wait until the following Monday. The weather improved thereafter, but the rain had in some cases reduced the alcoholic strength, already not high, particularly in the Medoc where the Cabernet-Sauvignon is paramount.

The deficiency can be made up by the permitted addition of sugar to the fermenting vats, but the end-result is not quite the same, and although it rained again at the end of the week, those delaying picking in the hope of more maturity, and higher strength took an extra risk - including Lafite who only started gathering their grapes on Oct. 5 and expected to finish on Oct. 16.

However, the anti-rot spraying that has been done in the past few years by most of the larger estates has been most successful, and the grape loads that were coming in from many estates were healthy-looking and sweet-tasting.

The prospects for the 1981 claret vintage are, therefore, good but not great and the gap between the big estates and the less prosperous petits chateaux may be greater than in a year without weather difficulties at the harvest time.

It is to be hoped that there will be careful selection of the vats, and that not too much 1980 is poured into the 1981, which will certainly turn out the better year. Bordeaux did not want a big vintage, but rather, a moderate-sized one of such quality that it sold itself and revived the morale of a somewhat depressed trade.

What is as certain as can be forecast now, is that the prices of the 1981 vintage will be higher than for the 1980s. This is reasonable enough, as they have stayed the same for three years, with at least 30 per cent inflation in this period. Current talk is of a rise of 25 per cent.

Claret drinkers here who have not bought their 1978s would be well advised to do so now, for on the Bordeaux market the popular growths are double their opening prices; and the 1979s are a good 20 per cent higher.

Bordeaux has not been alone in having a disappointing vintage, and Champagne has suffered worst of all. Early frosts had ruled out a big crop, but until the eve of the picking there had been hopes of 140 million bottles (compared with 110 million last year and 220 million in 1979), and a predicted sales total this year of 150-160 million bottles.

In fact the total looks like 90 million to 100 million bottles, and with none of the surplus still Coteaux Champenois that eventually added about 50 million bottles to 1978's miserable 78 million. The reduction in the fixed price of top quality grapes from F.F.23.50 a kilo to F.F.20 (\$3.57) is not much help, as last year's figure included a F.F. 10 bonus on account of the small crop; and this year it is only F.F. 3 on a smaller one still. So champagne prices must rise again, and the smaller firms will be particularly hit.

There is not much better news from Burgundy, where the crop is small, particularly for the much-needed red wines and the quality is distinctly variable. The white wines are said to be better.

Beaujolais, after several large, even excessive, vintages, has had a smaller one this year: a good average quality, but certainly markedly dearer, not least for the Beaujolais Nouveau.

The Rhone, too, has suffered a reduction in output after at least two prolific years and the Loire crop, picked later than further south, is small and probably variable in quality, though that is less of a problem in a region where the wines are mostly for early drinking. It is in the districts whose produce calls for time to develop and mature that wines of good strength, body, fruitiness and some preserving tannin are needed.

To end on a more cheerful note, Alsace alone appears to have had a good average crop of generally sound quality. Sheltered by the Vosges, they evidently missed the bad weather that has afflicted the rest of wine-growing France. Alsace, too, has a reputation for moderating its price increases, so in the coming year its wines generally under-rated here, may prove increasingly attractive purchases.

-- Financial Times News Feature



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YOUR DAILY Horoscope
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ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Instead of going off on a worthless fun spree, concentrate on your personal aims. Strive for greater rapport with friends.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Allow time for analyzing your position and what should be done to improve it. Taking risks now could be dangerous.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) A day to study the data that can help you get ahead in career activities. Steer clear of one who wants to waste your time.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Make sure you understand new business methods introduced in your line of endeavor. Improve your environment.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Ideal day to meet with congenials and exchange ideas. Study a new outlet that could be profitable in the future.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Look over your surroundings and make plans for improvements. Take a new treatment to improve your health.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Handle chores early in the day and then join friends at the amusements that are mutually enjoyable. Think logically.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) You are in a mood to argue and could easily annoy others, so do something constructive instead. Sidestep a troublemaker.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Much care in motion is important now or you could get into trouble easily. Shop with care and count the cost.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Make a point to study new ways and means of increasing your income. A business expert can be helpful with suggestions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Try not to be too forceful with others in order to gain your aims. Use your charm in entertaining others for best results.

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THE Daily Crossword By Martha J. DeWitt

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